

A FAIR RESULT

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GFA 2-2 Wycombe Wanderers

G.F.A. had to play their International encounter against the strong English amateur side Wycombe Wanderers without seven of their top players. Francis Felices, Henry Felices, Albert Xiberras and Richard Saccone (all suspended), Leslie Martinez, (injured) and Diego Mena who was working.

GFA's boss brought out eleven men who fought hard from the word go to prove all soccer lovers that the selection could do well without the top seven players - This I am glad to report they did. They played good soccer, combining well and displaying real team spirit.

The early stages of this entertaining match were dominated by the local selection. Hector Cortes, who played brilliantly soon proved a great danger to the visitors' defence, he was combining well with Louis Serra. Cortes got the GFA into the lead in the 12th minute with one of his powerful shots.

The visitors were working hard to penetrate the strong GFA defence, under the command of Antonio Martinez.

Tony Jurado proved a great asset to our selection, he played as the link man and did a wonderful job out of it.

In the 23rd minute Hector Cortes took a corner kick, it went up in the air and Louis Serra produced a spectacular jump to head in GFA's second goal.

The first half saw the local selection dominating most of the time the visiting defence did not impress much, however their forwards left their mark as talented players. I was particu-

larly impressed by their inside left Pritchard, he was without doubt the man of the match.

SECOND HALF

In the second half the visitors came more into the game and soon made GFA retreat into defence. Our defenders played well to try and stop them from scoring. Antonio Johnson was once again in top form proving to be one of our top defenders.

In the 15th minute Wanderers' right Winger crossed beautifully to Pritchard who scored the visitor's first goal. From then on Wanderers dominated the game. Their countless dangerous attacks were proving practically impossible to stop. Eventually Hutchinson equalised with a cannon shot from close range.

GFA then came out of defence to try and score the winning goal.

With only minutes left of play Aguilera started combining well with Figueras in mid-field. Figueras finally managed to hit the ball hard just missing the goal by inches.

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A fair result, both teams played well to give the many spectators present their money's worth.

GFA's boss must be congratulated, he did wonders to produce this strong and determined selection.

The GFA selection was formed by the following twelve determined players Wink, Moreno Federico, Johnson (St. Joseph), Martinez, Figueras, Serra, Aguilera, Asquez (Manchester United) Fa, Cortes (Glacis United) and Jurado (GIB United)